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## Minutes 01/14/2010

Arlington Recycling Committee  
 Minutes 1/14/10 Meeting

ATTENDEES: Gordon Jamieson (Co-Chair), Juli Brazile (Co-Chair), Ruth Yannetti (APW), Nigel Kraus, Adrian Wheelock, Katrina Rideout, Pete Howard (Secretary), Sustainable Arlington members Gail McCormick, Shannon Koenig,

### SOLID WASTE UPDATE:

- Now down to 15060 tons (running 12 month total).
- Ruth starred in two new videos by Glen Koenig about single stream recycling.  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kktglG8RgAs>  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QMdkxQxMjno&feature=related>

- Juli was interviewed for a recent Globe article on Single Stream Recycling
- Ruth & Katrina are collaborating on a Recycle Coordinator Manual for DEP

### SINGLE STREAM/ CARDBOARD/ PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A single stream education piece (a buck slip) was crafted & printed for insertion with the excise tax bills.
- ### RECYCLING PLANT FIELD TRIP
- Nigel to look for an AHS student to edit Charlotte's film.

### SCHOOL RECYCLING:

- AHS: Nigel reported that its going well. He sometimes comes in on Saturday to finish up.
- OTTOSON: Julie not present.
- ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: Juli to check.

### LABBB INITIATIVE:

- Juli received approval from the Superintendent to contact school principals via Assistant Superintendent to put bins in their schools. Follow-up needed.

### COMMUNITY COLLECTION BIN NETWORK -

- The map of the 16 bins in Arlington needs updating. All members to send updates to Ruth.
- .A resident called Ruth to get help recycling 15 boxes of office paper. Juli will contact a person to take them to Thompson.

### COMMUNITY COLLECTION DAY - Saturday May 1

- Ruth has arranged for most of the same organizations to come. Big Brothers Big Sisters will come to collect clothes. Juli to check w/ Stratton on possible overlap.

### ECO FEST Sunday May 2

- Ruth has arranged for many exhibitors.
- Compost bins will be of 2 kinds. A plastic reliable bin from Rainbarrel: 40 at ARC subsidized price of \$50 (full price \$85) - The tarpaper barrels 60 at \$25 (full price ca. \$50)

### WARRANT ARTICLES:

- The Manager told the PAYT committee that the BoH will change its regulations to require approved trash haulers to offer recycling. Warrant article not needed.

HAZARDOUS WASTE Arlington to staff the site on 8/21. Volunteers will be needed.

ORGANIC WASTE:

- Shannon & Gail have been looking for a way to compost the large volume of material generated by grocery stores & restaurants. They asked if the ARC has any info. Nigel reviewed his effort to do this at AHS which didn't go anywhere. Gordon stated that he thinks it would cost more to compost than to burn. Katrina was able to get a program started at her college by writing a requirement in the hauler contract. She suggested a route density approach. BoH must be on board any changes

Next mtg – Thu Feb 11 & 2nd Thurs monthly through May or June